

AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 20, 2015

SENATE BILL

No. 705

Introduced by Senator Hill

February 27, 2015

An act to add Section 47614.2 to the Education Code, relating to charter school facilities.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 705, as amended, Hill. Charter school facilities: preliminary proposal: public hearing.

Existing law requires each school district to make available to each charter school operating in the school district facilities sufficient for the charter school to accommodate all of the charter school's in-district pupils in conditions reasonably equivalent to those in which the pupils would be accommodated if they were attending other public schools of the district. Existing law requires the State Department of Education to propose, and for the State Board of Education to adopt, regulations to implement those provisions.

This bill would require a school district's preliminary proposal regarding the space to be allocated to a charter school to be disclosed at a public hearing that is conducted at a properly noticed and regularly scheduled meeting of the governing board of the school district. To the extent the bill imposes additional duties on school districts, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state,

reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to these statutory provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 47614.2 is added to the Education Code,
2 to read:
3 47614.2. A school district's preliminary proposal regarding
4 the space to be allocated to a charter school shall be disclosed at
5 a public hearing that includes opportunity for public ~~review and~~
6 ~~comment that~~ *comment and that* is conducted at a properly noticed
7 and regularly scheduled meeting of the governing board of the
8 school district.
9 SEC. 2. If the Commission on State Mandates determines that
10 this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to
11 local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made
12 pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division
13 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.